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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to school improvement plans; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring a template for use by a public school in preparing its school improvement plan; providing requirements for completion of the plan; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (18) of section 1001.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.—The district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all powers and perform all duties listed below:

- (18) IMPLEMENT SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY.—
 Maintain a state system of school improvement and education
 accountability as provided by statute and State Board of
 Education rule. This system of school improvement and education
 accountability shall be consistent with, and implemented
 through, the district's continuing system of planning and
 budgeting required by this section and ss. 1008.385, 1010.01,
 and 1011.01. This system of school improvement and education
 accountability shall comply with the provisions of ss. 1008.33,
 1008.34, 1008.345, and 1008.385 and include the following:
- (a) School improvement plans.—The district school board shall annually approve and require implementation of a new, amended, or continuation school improvement plan for each school in the district. If a school has a significant gap in

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achievement on statewide assessments pursuant to s. 1008.34(3)(b) by one or more student subgroups, as defined in the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), 20 U.S.C. s. 6311(b)(2)(C)(v)(II); has not significantly decreased the percentage of students scoring below satisfactory on statewide assessments; or has significantly lower graduation rates for a subgroup when compared to the state's graduation rate, that school's improvement plan shall include strategies for improving these results. The state board shall adopt rules establishing thresholds and methods for determining compliance with this paragraph, including a template for the school improvement plan. The template, which shall be in an easy-toread format and may not exceed 1 page per subject area in the plan, shall be provided annually to school districts by July 1. A school shall have at least 60 days after receiving its school grade and all data related to the school's academic performance for the most recently completed school year to complete the school improvement plan. The school improvement plan shall identify school goals by subject area and strategies to achieve those goals.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.